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SUBJECT: KOREAN POLAR EXPLORERS REQUEST ASSISTANCE FROM U.S. AIR FORCE

- 1. KOREAN EMBASSY COUNSELLOR SHIN PHONED KOREA DESK JUNE 6
 TO RELAY INFORMAL REQUEST FROM KOREAN ALPINIST ORGANIZATION
 FOR SUPPORT FROM U.S. AIR FORCE BASE, THULE, IN THE EVENT
 A KOREAN TEAM OF POLAR EXPLORERS SHOULD RUN INTO DIFFICULTY
 DURING EXPEDITION NORTH OF GREENLAND. SHIN SAID THAT EXPLORER GROUP WILL SET OFF FROM COPENHAGEN AUGUST 1, AND
 HAS MADE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS WITH DANISH AUTHORITIES.
 HE SAID THAT INFORMATION PROVIDED FROM SEOUL DID NOT INCLUDE PRECISE DETAILS OF TRIP, OR EXTENT OF SUPPORT TO BE
 PROVIDED BY DANISH AUTHORITIES.
- 2. DEPARTMENT OFFICER SUGGESTED THAT SHIN ADVISE MOFA THAT ALPINISTS NOT PLAN ON DIRECT SUPPORT FROM U.S. AIR FORCE, BUT MAKE ALL CONTINGENCY ARRANGEMENTS WITH DANISH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AUTHORITIES, IN WHOSE TERRITORY EXPLORERS WOULD BE OPERATING. SHIN SAID THAT HE WOULD ADVISE MOFA TO MAKE A COMPREHENSIVE INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION TO EMBASSY SEOUL. VANCE

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